

DNREC Secretary Shawn M. Garvin joins schoolchildren to celebrate Arbor Day at Bellevue State Park

Wilmington – DNREC Secretary Shawn M. Garvin today was joined by schoolchildren and members of the Friends of Bellevue State Park in planting a tree to celebrate Arbor Day at the park. A group of young people from Wilmington Friends School, Wilmington Montessori School, and several Bellevue State Park spring break day campers were on hand at the event.

“Trees are our friends,” Secretary Garvin told the young students. “They create an ecosystem to provide habitat, not just for birds, but also for other wildlife. They also release oxygen and improve air quality. Trees also help conserve energy and water, and help preserve the soil.”

The children helped Secretary Garvin plant a ceremonial tree to mark the occasion and each child was given a tree to take home to plant. That was followed by a nature walk through the park.

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